

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Peter Chumakov et al.

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For: METHOD FOR GENE
FUNCTION ANALYSIS

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Group Art Unit: 1648

Examiner: Jeffrey S. Parkin

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED OCTOBER 4, 2006

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 4, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 4, 2006, please enter the following response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.